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Preliminary Amendment

AMENDMENT TO ABSTRACT

The abstract is amended on the following page to read:

Abstract

~~The invention relates to a method for identifying suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes paid into an automatic teller machine.~~

~~With the method according to the invention~~ A method for identifying suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes paid into an automatic teller machine, wherein banknotes to be paid in are checked for authenticity on the basis of data from a sensor device[[,]]. ~~the~~ The identification is achieved by linking data from the sensor device concerning the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes to an identity of a payer[[,]]. The method also includes storing the data concerning the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes and the identity of the payer, and generating checking data for the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes by means of the sensor device or a sensor device similar to the sensor device[[,]]. ~~wherein~~ The checking data are generated by the sensor device for one or more possible positions of the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes, comparing the checking data with the stored data concerning the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknotes and determining the data of the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknote which has the closest agreement with the respective checking data[[,]]. ~~and~~ The method further includes identifying the respective suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknote by means of the identity of the payer, which is linked to the data concerning the suspected counterfeit and/or counterfeit banknote with the closest agreement.

~~(Fig. 2)~~